



2015 Bylaws

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Salinas Fairways Members Club 45 Skyway Blvd, Salinas, CA 93905

Article I - Name:

Salinas Fairways Members Club.

Article II - Objectives:

Club objectives are to promote local and interclub competition, provide privileges of membership in golf associations, foster observation of the rules and etiquette of Golf, cooperate with managing authorities in protecting the links and adjoining property, and promote Junior Golf.

Article III – Membership:

Membership limits may be set at the discretion of the Board. Only members in good standing shall be eligible to participate in Club events. Regular - NCGA card; eligible to participate in all Club tournaments and events; may serve on Board of Directors and vote in Club elections. Senior - 55 years and older; NCGA card; eligible to participate in November and December tournaments only. Junior - NCGA card; not eligible for club events; must join as a regular member to compete in club tournaments.

Article IV – Officers & Directors:

The Board of Directors shall be composed of seven or nine Regular members elected by existing Board members. All Board members will be voting members. The term of the Board shall be staggered so that no more than three Board members shall be elected in any one year.

The President and Vice President shall be appointed by the Board to serve one-year terms. The officers must be elected by the Board. The past President may serve in an advisory capacity at the Board's discretion.

The Board shall also appoint both a Secretary and a Treasurer from incumbent Board members to a one-year term.

The Board shall provide general supervision over the business affairs of the Club and shall make rules and regulations for its governance.

The Board may by two-thirds majority vote add or remove officers as necessary for the proper management of the Club. The Board may appoint any club member to a committee or post, as needed.

Article V – Officers' Duties:

The President and Vice President shall have such duties and authority as are usual for such officers. The Vice President shall act in the absence of the President and act as the parliamentarian for rules and conduct in meetings. Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed for all meetings.

The Secretary shall keep minutes of Club and Board meeting, and provide other administrative and clerical support as directed.

The Treasurer, as the finance officer of the Club, shall disburse funds (subject to Board approval) and provide accurate records and supporting documentation sufficient for financial reports and audits.

Article VI – Tournament Director:

The Tournament Director shall be recommended by the President and approved by a majority vote of the Board for a one-year term. Responsibilities shall include planning, presentation, and scoring for all Club Tournaments, development and publishing of the yearly calendar, and tallying tournaments. The Tournament Director may chair a committee composed of Board Members or Club members and at least one Professional. The committee shall make decisions regarding tournament issues and rules violations.

Article VII – Handicap/Membership Chair & Committee:

The Handicap/Membership Chair shall be recommended and approved by majority vote of the Board for a one year term. Responsibilities shall include maintaining a continuous check on member handicaps, postings, procedures, assessing penalties when warranted and reporting regularly to the Board. The Handicap/Membership Chair may chair a handicap committee composed of Board members or non-Board members and include the Tournament Director as an ex-officio member.

Article VIII – Elections:

Nominations and list of candidates for the forthcoming year shall be reported no later than the November Board meeting. Election of Officers and Board members shall be conducted by existing Board members. Installation of Officers shall occur in January. Officers and Board members serve January 1 through December 31 and vacancies shall be filled by Board Members. Any Board vacancy shall be first nominated by a Board Member and receive majority vote approval.

Article IX – Special Meetings:

The President or a majority of Board members may call a special meeting of the Club. A special meeting may also be held at the written request of twenty Regular members. At least seven days notice is required to hold such meetings; reason(s) shall be posted on the bulletin board. Fifteen members, at least six of which must be Board members, constitute a quorum.

Article X – Board Meetings:

The Board shall establish a regular monthly meeting time. The President may call a meeting at any time, and/or upon written request of six Directors. Three days written or verbal notice is required. Not less than a simple majority of Directors shall constitute a quorum. Any Director missing two consecutive meetings or four meetings throughout the year without valid notification may constitute cause for removal from the Board.

Article XI – New Members:

Applications will be accepted anytime and filed by date received. Applications shall be reviewed and verified on the form provided. Appropriate dues payment must accompany all submitted applications. Applications shall be reviewed and verified by a membership committee and may recommend action by the Board. The Board may approve or reject by majority vote. The membership committee shall instruct new members on club rules, requirements and procedures.

Article XII – Fees and Dues:

Initiation fees and/or membership dues for the following year are set by the Board in September. Two-thirds vote is required to change fees or dues. Membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. Members dropped for non-payment shall be considered as new applicants when applying for reinstatement. The full Board membership may, by majority vote, increase the new and/or renewal dues as necessary to maintain the fiscal viability of the Club.

Article XIII – Suspension of Members:

The Board may, by majority vote, suspend or remove any member whose conduct has been contrary to the best interest of the Club, provided that the member is given notice and opportunity to be heard before the Board.

Article XIV – Annual Audit:

Annually, the Board may appoint a committee of at least two members to audit the Club financial records for the current year. The audit report will be presented at the following Board meeting. The Treasurer shall assist the committee by making all records available when so requested.

Article XV – Handicaps:

USGA procedures shall be used for establishing and maintaining an official handicap. Honesty is of the utmost priority to insure the integrity of the game. Violations of this code of honesty will incur penalties of various levels of severity up to and including loss of membership.

Article XVI – Amendments:

These By-Laws may be amended in whole or in part by a two-thirds vote of Board members. Current edition amended December 4, 2014, superseding prior editions.